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# Ham radio supports disasters

A severe tropical storm in the Philippines and earthquakes in Indonesia have seen radio amateurs providing emergency communications and other relief and recoverv assistance.

Philippines Amateur Radio Association (PARA) President, Dr Joey Panganiban, DU1BP, reports that a tropical storm named "Ondoy" hit the Philippines five days ago creating a tragic calamity with hams swinging into action to help.

Joey, DU1BP, said, "We have mobilised our amateur radio clubs for the relief operations. The frequencies of 7.045 MHz have been used for general announcements while 2-metres FM is for our community operations."

The disaster has affected more than two million people and the death toll is headed for around 300.

Joey, DU1BP, said, "All amateur and civic radio clubs are now on operation in Metro Manila under the guidance of the National Telecommunications Commission and PARA."

He said the PARA Secretariat has been designated to receive donations, soliciting donations both in kind and cash for the victims.

Joey, DU1BP, said, "What the evacuees need is food that are ready to eat (those without much preparation) such as canned goods, noodles, rice, bread, coffee, milk, sugar, salt and water."

"They also need medical attention and medications needed for cough, colds, fever, diarrhoea and vitamins. These items will be repacked and given direct to the recipients, using community officials as contact points."

Meantime a powerful earthquake rocked western Indonesia on Wednesday, trapping thousands under collapsed buildings and triggering landslides.

At least 75 people were killed on Sumatra Island after the 7.6 on the Ritcher scale earthquake strike.

In a brief message just hours after that disaster from the Organisasi Amatir Radio Indonesia (ORARI), received by IARU Region 3 Disaster Communications Committee Chairman, Jim Linton, VK3PC, it has been confirmed that hams are involved there too.

### October

ZS10WCS operated by the Oakdale ARC

1 SARL 80 Metre QSO party 4 RSGB 21/28 MHz SSB 5 Schools open; closing date Heritage Day logs 6 World Habitat Day 10 AWA Valve AM QSO **Party** 11 AWA Valve SSB QSO Partv 12/16 IARU Region 3 Conference, New Zealand 16 Boss's Day; CQ Hou Koers; Closing date 80 metre logs 17 Deepavali; CQ Hou Koers; Jamboree on the Air; Worked all Germany 18 Jamboree on the Air; Worked all Germany 17/19 IARU Administrative Council meeting, New Zealand 22 Radio Amateur Exam

24/25 CQ WW DX Phone Contest 31 Closing date AWA logs

Wisnu Widjaja W1SNU/YB0AZ reports "We are active on the field now to support the emergency Communications in West & South Sumatera, Indonesia. Now, we are using 2-metres and 40-metre band."

More information can be expected in coming days. However, no reports so far of amateur radio emergency communications in the Pacific as a tsunami hit Samoa leaving trail of death and destruction.
[Jim Linton, VK3PC, IARU Region 3 News]

# IARU National Radio Society to Celebrate its Centenary



The Wireless Institute of Australia turns 100 next year making it the world's oldest National Radio Society.

WIA President Michael Owen, VK3KI, says he wants the worldwide amateur radio community to join in the celebration.

In the October edition of the WIA's Amateur Radio magazine, he announces a program that includes a special call sign, VK100WIA, that will be operated next May by the WIA, and then many affiliated clubs around Australia for the next 5 months.

A commemorative QSL card will be issued for contacts with VK100WIA between May and October next year.

A limited edition operating award, called the WIA Centenary Award is also to be available and two contacts with VK100WIA are required under its rules.

A program of events will occur around the WIA's annual meeting in the nation's capital Canberra in May 2010, while radio clubs are planning events to promote the centenary of organised amateur radio in Australia.

It all began in 1910 with a meeting of wireless pioneers in Sydney to protect their interests and rights against what they considered to be harsh treatment by authorities and a high licence fee.

The Wireless Institute of Australia has continued since then to protect and enhance the privileges of radio amateurs and to promote amateur radio. Details of the centenary program can be found on the WIA website <a href="www.wia.org.au">www.wia.org.au</a> (from 3 October).

#### Contest News

SARL HF CW Contest. Thirteen logs were received for the CW contest.

- 1<sup>st</sup> West Rand ARC, ZS6WR, 100 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Vidi la Grange, ZS1EL, 98 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Pierre van Deventer, ZS6BB, 86 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Allan Smith, ZS1AAX, 84 points Hans Kappetijn, ZS6KR, 84 points
- 6<sup>th</sup> Jan Botha, ZS4JAN, 82 points
- 7<sup>th</sup> Ed Willers, ZS6UT, 78 points
- 8<sup>th</sup> Barrie Brokensha, ZS6AJY, 62 points
- 9<sup>th</sup> Dirk Lotz, ZS1X, 60 points
- 10<sup>th</sup> Andrew Thomson, V51YJ, 56 points
- 11<sup>th</sup> Jimmy Momberg, ZS6APS, 54 points
- 12<sup>th</sup> ZS6EU, 32 points
- 13<sup>th</sup> ZS6BTY, 20 points



Best score on a single band – Vidi la Grange, ZS1EL with 48 points on 40 metres.

### Amateur Radio and the Youth

Scouting Jamboree on the Air (Jota). 17 and 18 October will mark the 52<sup>nd</sup> worldwide Scouting Jamboree on the Air (JOTA). Held the third full weekend in October each year, this is the premier operating event for Amateur Radio and Scouting around the world.

CQ Hou Koers. Die Voortrekkers is ook op die lug met CQ Hou Koers op Vrydag 16 en Saterdag 17 Oktober met baie stasies hier in Suid-Afrika en Namibia.

## **DXCC News**

Bill Moore, NC1L, ARRL Awards Branch Manager, reports that the following operations are approved for DXCC credit:

5N0OCH - Nigeria; Current Operation (Logs in LoTW)

5N0EME - Nigeria; 2009 Operation

D2QMN - Angola; Current operation

Anyone who had this operation rejected in a recent DXCC submission can send a message to <a href="mailto:dxcc@arrl.org">dxcc@arrl.org</a> to be placed on the list to be updated..

Two New Countries? It was reported this past week that St Maarten (PJ7) and Curacao (PJ2) will become separate countries within the Dutch Kingdom on 10 October 2010, and this date is irrevocable. HOWEVER, the two new countries are subjected to meet certain conditions before that date. If the two countries can meet these conditions, then the Netherlands Antilles will officially cease to exist.

Marco, PJ7MF, writes that the government of the Netherlands Antilles and the Netherlands agreed upon the fact that Sint Maarten will be separated from the rest of the Netherlands Antilles on 10 October 2010. The two neighbouring islands, Sint Eustatius (PJ5) and Saba (PJ6), will become provinces of the Netherlands. This may also change the DXCC status of Saba and St. Eustatius. More information can be found at

http://www.thedailyherald.com/news/daily/m117/sxmm117.html

#### DX from Africa

Senegal, 6W. Martin, OK1FZM and Lenka, OK1WZM will be active as home calls/6W from 3 to 15 October. Activity is holiday style on all HF bands. QSL to home calls.

Benin, TY. PA8AD, PA3AN, PA3AWW and PD0CAV will be active as TY1MS on 160 – 10 m from Grand Popo in Benin from 7 to 30 October (including the CQ WW DX SSB Contest on 24/25 October). QSL direct or via bureau to PA3AWW. Direct QSLs may also be requested via the online request system on the DXpedition website http://www.benin2009.com



Uganda, 5X. Petr, M0WTF/OK1THA reports that during his holiday in East Africa in September/October 2009 he will be occasionally active as 5X1THA from Kampala area, Uganda, during the first week of October. He will be working with a very simple set up - IC-706MKIIG and dipole for 20 m, so please be patient. QSL 100% via home call sign M0WTF, either direct (1 green stamp or 1 IRC) or via RSGB bureau. Petr has also worked as 5Z4PS from Kenya (29 Sep 2009) and might be on the air as ZS1/OK1THA from Cape Town in the second week of October. [DX World of Ham Radio]

Ethiopia, ET. Jim, WU0I currently in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as a US Foreign Service Officer, expects to be on the air by October as ET3JD. Activity will be mainly 40/20/15 meters, but he would also like to spend more time on the WARC bands - particularly 30 and 17 meters. Modes will be CW, SSB, PSK31 and possibly RTTY (for contests mostly). QSL only direct to Jim DeLoach, ET3JD, 2030 Addis Ababa Place, Dulles VA 20189-2030, USA. Further information can be found at: www.deloach.net/ET3JD.html [OPDX Bulletin]

South Africa, ZS9. Bloemfontein Defence Amateur Radio Club members Bernie, ZS4TX, Barney, ZS4U, John, ZS4S, Ronnie, ZS4RY, Jan, ZS4JAN, and Dennis, ZS4BS, will be active as ZS9X, a Multi-2 entry in the CQ WW DX SSB Contest (24 and 25 October) from Bloemfontein, Rep of South Africa. QSL only via K3IRV. Read the interesting write-up at http://www.qrz.com/db/ZS9X

Botswana, A2. Mike, K9NW will be in Botswana between 23 November and 1 December using the call sign A25NW. Expect activity during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (28 and 29 November). QSL via home call (QRZ.com).

Zimbabwe, Z2. Mikhail, RW3AJX is here on work assignment for two to three years. He is licensed as Z23MS and is active on 80 to 10 metres using SSB. He may be active using PSK as well. QSL via UA3DX.

Crozet Island, FT/W. Flo is active as FT5WO and has been active on 20 and 17 metres using SSB around 09:00 to 13:00 UTC. He is here until the end of October. QSL via F4DYW.

Tunisia, 3V. A German team will operate from the "Radio Club Station of Tunisian Scouts" (3V8SS) in Sousse, using a special call sign 3V3S between 23 November and 2 December. Operators mentioned are Andy, DJ7IK, Jan, DJ8NK, Guenter, DJ9CB, Andreas, DL9USA and Lars, DF1LON. The team will set up, and use a spiderbeam and verticals antennas. All antennas will be donated to the 3V8SS station. Look for them to also participate in the CQ WW DX CW Contest (28/29 November) as a Multi-Single/Low-Power entry. QSL via DL9USA. A Web page will be active soon at http://www.3V3S.tk

FT5GA Pirates. Carl, N4AA, editor of "QRZ DX, sent out the following press release on 1 October, "Hello DXers: This is a SPECIAL BULLETIN and the following will reveal why.

I have been contacted by a person (who I will NOT name) who has the capability to pin point (very accurately) the source of an on the air signal. What I am saying is this person has the professional equipment and the expertise to



monitor a signal on the ham bands and determine to a very narrow area where that signal is coming from.

Apparently, there was a pirate on 10114 last night signing FT5GA. That signal was NOT coming from Glorioso; it was coming from QUEBEC in CANADA, NNE of Montreal.

On two other days pirate signals were monitored signing FT5GA, one was coming from LATVIA and the other from the SOUTH COAST OF SICILY.

These pirates should be relatively easy for 'local' DXers to find. They need to be specifically identified and pressure brought to bear on them to cease their deliberate and illegal activities.

The 'source' that I mentioned above will continue to provide periodic reports like this, and I will continue to publish the locations of these irresponsible persons. I ask for those within the areas identified pay particular attention and use whatever means are available to them to put a stop to these activities.

Your cooperation with the identification of these pirates will be appreciated by all of us."

# **4U1UN Activity Week**

4U1UN - United Nations Headquarters, New York - this DXCC entity will be active from 19 - 25 October, on all bands, all modes, with a team of well-known DX and contest operators; OH2BH, OH0XX, OH2NB, OH6LI, G3SXW, F5CWU, F4EGD, PY5EG, JK3GAD, UA9AB, LA5IIA LA4OFA, NN1N, K2QI, KA2RTD, K2LE, N2UN, N2GA, K2DO, N2YBB, KA2D, WQ2N and W2VQ.

Antennas and security access to the building are heavily restricted but the team will do their best to make this rare station available to all.

Activity will be from 12:00 – 04:00 UTC each day. All-night activity is planned for Friday 23 and Saturday 24 October. Some of the operators will form an international team for CQ World-Wide SSB Contest participation in the "Two Transmitter" (M2) category. QSL via HB9BOU. LoTW upload will be done after the operation.

A team of operators will activate the ITU Radio Amateur Club Station, 4U1ITU during the CQ WW DX CW Contest (28 - 29 November) as a Multi-Single entry from Zone 14. The activity may possibly including 160 m. QSL via QRZ.com

#### Contest Calendar

This week's contests compiled by Bruce Horn, WA7BNM. The period covered is 5 to 11 October 2009

RSGB 80m CW Club Sprint 19:00 - 20:30 UTC 8 October

Mode: CW

Bands: 80 m Only Classes: 100 W; 10 W

Exchange: other station's call, your

call, serial no and your name QSO Points: 1 point per QSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points

Submit logs by: 15 October 2009

E-mail logs to:

cwsprint[dot]logs[at]rsgbhfcc[dot]org

Upload log at:

http://www.vhfcc.org/cgi-

bin/hfcover.pl

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.vhfcc.org/hfcc/rules/200

9/rsprint.shtml



**NCCC Sprint** 

02:30 - 03:00 UTC 9 October

Mode: (see rules)
Bands: (see rules)
Classes: (none)
Exchange: (see rules)

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 11 October 2009

E-mail logs to: (none) Post log summary at:

http://www.hornucopia.com/3830sco

re/

Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.ncccsprint.com/rules.htm

YLRL DX/NA YL Anniversary Contest 14:00 UTC 9 October to 02:00 UTC 11 October

Mode: CW, SSB, Digital

Bands: Any Classes: (none)

Max operating hours: 24

Exchange: Serial No, RS and ARRL

Section, province or country Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: W/VE Stations: 1 point per W/VE QSO; W/VE Stations: 2 points per DX QSO; DX Stations: 1 point per QSO with same continent; DX Stations: 2 points per QSO with different continent

Multipliers: Each section, province, country once; Power factor: x1,5 for 200 W or less

Score Calculation: Total score = total QSO points x total mults x power factor

Submit logs by: 9 November 2009

E-mail logs to:

annettewood[at]oh[dot]rr[dot]com Mail logs to: Annette Wood, KC8SQM, 6167 Oakwood Circle, North Ridgeville, OH, 44039, USA

Find rules at:

http://www.ylrl.org/ylcontests.html

Makrothen RTTY Contest: 00:00 - 07:59 UTC, 16:00 - 23:59 UTC 10

October and 08:00 - 15:59 UTC 11

October Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op Single Xcvr – Low or High; Single Op Multi-Xcvr – Low or High; Multi-Op Single Xcvr – Low or High; Multi-Op Multi-Xcvr – Low or

High

Max power: HP: >100 watts; LP: 100

watts

Exchange: 4-character grid square Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 1 point per km distance between stations for each QSO; Multiply QSO points by 1,5 for 40 m QSOs or 2,0 for 80 m QSOs; 100 points per QSO between stations in same grid square (no other points or multiplier)

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points

Submit logs by: 15 November 2009

E-mail logs to:

tmc-rtty[at]arcor[dot]de
Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://home.arcor.de/waldemar.kebs ch/The\_Makrothen\_Contest/TMC\_Rul es.html

10-10 International 10-10 Day Sprint

00:01 - 23:59 UTC 10 October

Mode: All

Bands: 10 m Only

Classes: Individual; Club; QRP

Max power: non-QRP: >5 watts;

QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: Name, state, province or

country and 10-10 number

Work stations: Once

QSO Points: 1 point per QSO with a non-member; 2 points per QSO with

a 10-10 member Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points

Submit logs by: 26 October 2009

E-mail logs to:

tentencontest[at]roadrunner[dot]com





Mail logs to: Dan Morris, KZ3T, 131 Valencia Lane, Statesville, NC 28625, USA

Find rules at: http://www.ten-

ten.org/Forms/QSOPartyRulesRevised

.pdf

Oceania DX CW Contest

08:00 UTC 10 October to 08:00 UTC

11 October Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m

Classes: Single Op All Band; Single Op Single Band; Multi-Single; Multi-

Multi; SWL

Exchange: RST and Serial No Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 20 points per 160 m QSO; 10 points per 80 m QSO; 5 points per 40 m QSO; 1 point per 20 m QSO; 2 points per 15 m QSO; 3

points per 10 m QSO

Multipliers: Each prefix once per band Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 9 November 2009

E-mail logs to:

cw[at]oceaniadxcontest[dot]com

Mail logs to: Oceania DX Contest, c/o Wellington Amateur Radio Club Inc., PO Box 6464, Wellington 6030, New Zealand

Find rules at:

http://www.oceaniadxcontest.com/rul

es.pdf

Pennsylvania QSO Party

16:00 UTC 10 October to 05:00 UTC 11 October and 13:00 - 22:00 UTC

11 October

Mode: CW, Phone, PSK, RTTY

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6,

Classes: Single Op - QRP, Medium or High; Single Op CW (150 W); Multi-Single; Multi-Multi; Single Op Portable; M/S Portable; M/M Portable;

Mobile; Rover

Max power: HP: >150 watts; MP: 150

watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: PA: Serial No and County; non-PA: Serial No and ARRL/RAC Section

Work stations: Once per band per

mode per county

QSO Points: 2 points per CW QSO on 160 m or 80 m; 1,5 points per CW QSO on bands 40 m and above; 1 point per SSB/FM QSO; 2 points per

PSK/RTTY OSO

PA Mobile Bonus: 500 points for each county operated from with minimum of 10 QSOs; PA Rover Bonus: 500 points for each location operated from with minimum of 10 QSOs; W3OK Bonus: 200 points for each **QSO** with W3OK

Multipliers: PA Stations: Each ARRL section, RAC section, PA county once; PA Stations: One DX country; non-PA

Stations: Each PA county once

QRP Bonus: multiply score by 2 for

**ORP** operation

Score Calculation: Total score = (total QSO points x total mults x bonus mult) and bonus points

Submit logs by: 15 November 2009

E-mail logs to:

pagsolog[at]nittany-arc[dot]net

Mail logs to: PA QSO Party 2008, c/o NARC, PO Box 614, State College, PA 16804-0614, USA

Find rules at:

http://www.nittany-

arc.net/Pagso\_pdfs/pagso07rules.pdf

EU Autumn CW Sprint

16:00 - 19:59 UTC 10 October

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40 and 20 m

Classes: Single Op (Low/High)

Max power: HP: >100 W; LP: 100 W Exchange: your call sign, other station's call sign, Serial No and Name

Work stations: Once per band OSO Points: 1 point per OSO

Multipliers: (none)

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points

Submit logs by: 25 October 2009

E-mail logs to:



eusprint[at]kkn[dot]net

Mail logs to: Karel Karmasin, OK2FD, Gen. Svobody 636, 674 01 Trebic, Czech Republic

Find rules at:

http://www.eusprint.com/index.php? page=140&lang=g

Arizona QSO Party

16:00 UTC 10 October to 04:00 UTC 11 October and 14:00 - 23:59 UTC 11 October

Mode: CW, Phone, Digital

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10, 6

and 2 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, Low or High; Multi-Op - QRP, Low or High;

Mobile - QRP, Low or High

Max power: HP: >150 watts; LP: 150

watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: AZ: RS(T), state and county; non-AZ: RS(T) and state,

province or country

Work stations: Once per band per

mode per county

QSO Points: 1 point per phone QSO;

2 points per CW/digital QSO

Multipliers: AZ: Each US state, province and country once; non-AZ: Each

AZ county once

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 31 October 2009

E-mail logs to:

logs[at]azqsoparty[dot]orq

Mail logs to: Catalina Radio Club, c/o Gary Keck, PO Box 18135, Tucson,

AZ 85731, USA Find rules at:

http://www.azqsoparty.org/rules.htm

FISTS Fall Sprint

17:00 - 21:00 UTC 10 October

Mode: CW

Bands: 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 m Classes: QRP; QRO; Club

Max power: QRO: >5 watts; QRP: 5

watts

Exchange: FISTS: RST, state, province or country, first name and FISTS No; non-FISTS: RST, state, province or country, first name and power Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: 5 points per QSO with FIST member; FIST members: 2 points per QSO with non-FIST mem-

ber

Multipliers: Each US state and VE province once; Each DXCC country once

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 9 November 2009

E-mail logs to:

W8PIG[at]yahoo[dot]com

Mail logs to: Dan Shepherd, N8IE, 1900 Pittsfield St., Kettering, Oh 45420, USA

Find rules at:

http://www.fists.org/sprints.html

North American RTTY Sprint 00:00 - 04:00 UTC 11 October

Mode: RTTY

Bands: 80, 40 and 20 m

Classes: Single Op - QRP, Low or

High

Max operating hours: 4 hours

Max power: HP: 1500 watts; LP: 100

watts; QRP: 5 watts

Exchange: other station's call, your call, serial no, your name and your

state, province or country Work stations: Once per band

QSO Points: NA station: 1 point per QSO; non-NA station: 1 point per

QSO with an NA station

Multipliers: Each US state (including KL7) once; Each VE province once; Each North American country (except

W/VE) once

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 17 October 2009 E-mail logs to: (see rules, web upload preferred)

Upload log at:

http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintlogsub

mit.php



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Mail logs to: Ed Muns, WOYK, PO Box 1877, Los Gatos, CA 95031-1877,

USA

Find rules at:

http://www.ncjweb.com/sprintrules.p

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SKCC Weekend Sprint

00:00 - 24:00 UTC 11 October

Mode: CW

Bands: 160, 80, 40, 20, 15, 10 and 6

m

Classes: (none)

Exchange: RST, Name, state, province or country and SKCC No or

"NONE"

Work stations: Once per band QSO Points: 1 point per QSO Bonus Points: (see rules)

Multipliers: Each state, province or

country once

Score Calculation: Total score =  $(to-tal\ QSO\ points\ x\ total\ mults)$  and bo-

nus points

Submit logs by: 16 October 2009

Post log summary at:

http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/we

s/wes-submit.html Mail logs to: (none)

Find rules at:

http://www.skccgroup.com/sprint/we

s/

**UBA ON SSB Contest** 

06:00 - 10:00 UTC 11 October

Mode: SSB

Bands: 80 m Only Classes: (none)

Exchange: RS and Serial No

QSO Points: 3 points per QSO with

Belgian station

Multipliers: Each UBA Section

Score Calculation: Total score = total

QSO points x total mults

Submit logs by: 1 November 2009 E-mail logs to: ubaon[at]uba[dot]be Mail logs to: Leon Welters, ON5WL, Borgstraat 80, B-2580 Beerzel, Bel-

gium

Find rules at:

http://www.uba.be/sites/default/files/uploads/hf/other/ontest\_en.pdf

#### Next Week's Contests

NAQCC Straight Key/Bug Sprint, 00:30 - 02:30 UTC 14 October

NCCC Sprint, 02:30 - 03:00 UTC 16 October

JARTS WW RTTY Contest, 00:00 UTC 17 October to 24:00 UTC 18 October

Feld Hell Sprint, 10:00 - 20:00 UTC 17 October

ARCI Fall QSO Party, 12:00 UTC 17 October to 24:00 UTC 18 October

Iowa QSO Party, 14:00 - 23:00 UTC 17 October

Stew Perry Topband Challenge, 15:00 UTC 17 October to 15:00 UTC 18 October Worked All Germany Contest, 15:00 UTC 17 October to 14:59 UTC 18 October W/VE Islands QSO Party, 16:00 UTC 17 October to 23:59 UTC 18 October New York QSO Party, 18:00 UTC 17 October to 06:00 UTC 18 October

PODXS 070 Club 160m Great Pumpkin Sprint, 20:00 local 17 October to 02:00 local 18 October

Asia-Pacific Fall CW Sprint, 00:00 - 02:00 UTC 18 October

Illinois QSO Party, 17:00 UTC 18 October to 01:00 UTC 19 October

Run for the Bacon QRP Contest, 01:00 UTC-03:00 UTC 19 October

ARRL School Club Roundup, 13:00 UTC 19 October to 24:00 UTC 23 October

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